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## Lawrence County Baptist Association



HELD WITH PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH  
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TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

## *Lawrence County Baptist Association*

HELD WITH

*Providence Baptist Church, Lawrence County, Miss.,  
Beginning October 3d, 1912*

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### OFFICERS

*REV. R. DRUMMOND, Moderator, New Hebron, Miss.*

*WADE POLK, Clerk, Oakvale, Miss.*

*J. M. ARMSTRONG, Treas., Silver Creek, Miss.*

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Providence, Lawrence County, Miss., Oct. 3, 1912.

The Lawrence County Baptist Association met this day at the appointed hour with Providence Baptist church in its twelfth annual session.

The congregation sang "Near the Cross," and Rev. C. A. Mize conducted the devotional exercises, reading for morning lesson the 3rd chapter Col., and Brother J. M. Armstrong the opening prayer. Rev. I. H. Anding and J. B. Quinn led in special prayer for the leadership of the Holy Spirit during the session.

The Moderator called the association to order and appointed Brethren D. M. Lee, J. M. Fortenberry and L. R. Bush a committee on finance.

The association dispensed with the reading of the letters and the clerk enrolled the names of the delegates as follows:

Antioch—Jeff Davis County.

Antioch—Lawrence: W. M. Lambertt, W. M. Ritchie, W. P. Boutwell and D. Boutwell.

Arm—Z. E. Ward, C. A. Brown and Lee Rogers.

Bethany—Rev. J. O. Buckley.

Bismark—G. M. Price and W. C. Price.

Bethel—A. H. McGuffee and Carl Polk.

Calvary—Rev. C. H. Mize, G. S. Mikell, M. White and J. M. Armstrong.

Crooked Creek—W. L. Dampeer and T. P. Blackmon.  
Carson—J. W. McPhail.



Carmel—J. E. Heron.

Ebenezer—R. S. Miller, W. M. Garner and Allen Bass.

Hebron—R. Drummond, A. H. Dale and A. C. Berry.

Hathorn—H. E. Stamps.

Hepzibah—A. W. Tolar and Robert Daniel.

Monticello—D. M. Lee, Joe Dale, C. E. Gibson and W. C. Maxwell.

New Zion—J. R. Cox.

New Hope—H. J. Johnson.

New Hebron—Dr. L. R. Bush.

Oakvale—L. I. Thompson, J. W. Langston, Mrs. J. M. Bryant and Wade Polk.

Oakgrove—J. O. Sutton and J. M. Mikell.

Oma—No delegates. Represented by letter.

Providence—Dr. J. P. Conn, W. W. Brewer, Dan Price, J. M. Gunnel and Bunnie Boyd.

Prentiss—J. B. Quinn and C. R. Dale.

Rehoboth—Not represented.

Shiloh—A. S. White and E. B. White.

Sontag—W. R. Gibson.

Society Hill—G. M. Buckley, N. S. Buckley and J. M. Fortenberry.

Silver Creek—W. D. Fortenberry, W. M. Langster and L. C. Buckley.

Smith's Ferry—J. C. McCullough.

Troas—J. N. Boyd and J. W. Alexander.

White Sand—R. B. Dale and J. M. Bridges.

On motion, suspended further business of the associa-

tion to listen to the preaching of the Associational Sermon.

The sermon was preached by Rev. R. Drummond using as a text 1st Cor. 15:58. Theme, "The Power of Faith." After which Rev. J. C. Parker lead in prayer.

After announcements, adjournment for one hour; benediction by Rev. I. H. Anding.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

After song service, Rev. J. O. Buckley led in prayer.

The association went into the election of officers and on motion the present officers were elected by acclamation, viz: R. Drummond, Moderator; Wade Polk, Clerk, and J. M. Armstrong, Treasurer.

By request of Moderator, Rev. L. I. Thompson led in a special prayer for the presence of the Holy Spirit to direct the officers of the association.

Petitionary letters called for. None presented.

Received correspondents as follows:

A. V. Rowe, Secretary State Mission Board; Bryan Simmons, State Baptist Hospital; J. C. Parker, Baptist Record; J. M. Sammon, J. B. Woolie, W. C. Summers and Lincoln Co. Association and Rev. I. H. Anding, Boguechitto, E. C. Bennett, Pearl River Association.

Arranged correspondents as follows:

To the Baptist State Convention, Rev. L. I. Thompson, J. B. Quinn, J. O. Buckley, J. C. Parker and Brethren W. R. Gibson, A. H. Dale, J. O. Sutton, A. H. McGuffee, A. C. Berry, J. W. Langston, D. M. Lee, J. D. Ham, G. M. Buckley, Dr. L. R. Bush and Rev. C. H. Mize.

On motion a committee on Items of Special Interest was appointed consisting of Joseph Dale, Rev. J. B. Quinn and A. H. Dale.

In the absence of a report on Sunday Schools, no one

having been appointed at the last meeting of the association by an oversight, Bro. J. E. Bird, our Sunday School Secretary, spoke on the Sunday School work and Rev. C. H. Mize was appointed to write a report to be read during this session.

On motion the hour of 10:30 o'clock was fixed the special hour for the reading and discussion of the report on Missions.

The Moderator appointed the following committees to write reports on subjects assigned to others at last meeting, but who failed to send in their reports, as follows:

On Denominational Schools, Rev. L. I. Thompson, vice, R. L. Bridges; on Church Discipline, W. R. Gibson, vice, Sidney Sandefer, and on motion a committee was appointed to write report on the State Baptist Hospital. Bro. Price Dale was appointed to write report.

Rev. J. O. Buckley read the report on Publications and it was discussed by him and Revs. J. C. Parker, J. B. Quinn, A. V. Rowe and L. I. Thompson.

Pending the adoption of the report a motion carried that the Moderator appoint a committee to write a card of thanks to Bro. T. J. Bailey for the faithful work done by him while editor of the Baptist Record, and forward to him, which has been prepared and forwarded. Rev. L. I. Thompson was appointed the committee.

The report was adopted as follows:

#### **Publication.**

Your committee on Publication, beg to submit the following report:

We believe this subject is one of vast importance, and should receive more careful consideration at our hands, for the printed page is largely used to advocate strength and maintain almost every cause in life, whether moral or immoral.

Therefore, we should be more careful as to the kind of literature that we allow to enter our homes, for in this progressive age almost every home is within reach of free deliveries, and a great deal of unsolicited, unsound, impure and immoral literature finds its way to our homes, that will enter largely into the shaping and molding the lives of our



boys and girls if not supplied with good books, magazines and weeklies to counteract such influences.

The Bible is the book of all books, and too much importance cannot be placed upon the reading of the Bible. Your committee believes the looseness and indifference manifest among the members of our churches is due largely to the fact that we do not know God's word.

Again your committee believes if every cause fostered by our denomination is to receive that loyal and hearty cooperation by our people it is expedient for every one to read our denominational papers, for the people that read the Baptist Record and the Orphanage Gem are liberal supporters to every cause fostered by our denomination.

Respectfully submitted.

J. O. BUCKLEY.

After announcements, adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Benediction by Rev. I. H. Anding.

### **SECOND DAY, MORNING SESSION.**

"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" was sung and Rev. Bryan Simmons conducted the devotional exercises. Rev. C. H. Mize led in prayer.

The association was called to order and yesterday's journal read and corrected.

Rev. C. H. Mize read the report on Sunday Schools, and on motion it was adopted as follows:

#### **Sunday Schools.**

In discussing the subject of Sunday Schools, we desire first of all to especially emphasize that the Sunday School is the teaching service of the church, organized, recognized and officered by the church, and second, the Sunday School is organized for the most important work of teaching the Word to the men and women of the church and training them for efficient Christian service, and opening avenues of service to them, of placing young Christians under the direct teaching and training of Godly men and women and at the same

critical time in their Christian lives, give them needed instruction and definite Christian work to do, of taking our children, even beginning with the tots of a few tender years, and so shaping and molding the young life and ideas as to bring the little one to Jesus if possible at the earliest age of responsibility, and of teaching the plan of salvation to the unsaved and bringing them to acknowledge the Christ.

We find in this association that all the churches report Sunday Schools but three, with a total number of 1377 pupils. Showing that from the Sunday Schools of the association that 85 have been baptized into the fellowship of the church.

We recommend and urge all Sunday Schools to make contributions regularly to State, Home and Foreign Missions, training and teaching our children in the spread of the gospel.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. MIZE.

Bro. Price Dale read the report on State Baptist Hospital. Rev. Bryan Simmons discussed the report and on motion it was adopted as follows:

#### **The Christian Hospital.**

The Christian Hospital is an organized expression of practical Christianity. Jesus went about teaching, preaching and healing; and he has given to us a similar mission.

We have been asleep with reference to our obligation along this line; but of late several things have conspired to arouse us to duty, and now Southern Baptists are operating several hospitals. Mississippi Baptists have one. It is a frame building, with ten rooms, located at Jackson and was a gift to the denomination from some of the leading physicians of that city. This hospital is under the control of a board of trustees appointed by the Baptist State Convention. It cares for both charity and pay patients and is open for practice to all reputable physicians and surgeons.

During its first year the hospital proved self-supporting although more than one-tenth of its work was done without charge.

During the past nine months the institution has cared

for 118 surgical patients and 62 medical patients. 17 of these were charity patients, three of them from our orphanage.

From the first the present building proved itself inadequate to the demands made upon it, and at Gulfport the Convention pledged itself to a campaign for \$50,000 with which to erect and equip a suitable building. This campaign is now on and we urge our people to co-operate in this undertaking. Every argument for the Christian college and the Orphanage is an argument for the Christian Hospital with the additional appeal of suffering humanity.

We urge the pastors to observe "Hospital Day" as arranged for by the Hospital Trustees.

We urge that the W. M. U's. and the Sunday Schools respond to the appeal made to them for the funds for special rooms and beds.

Brethren, this matter has long been deferred, and is very pressing, let us rally to the immediate performance of this task.

Respectfully submitted.

PRICE DALE.

The special hour for the report on Missions having arrived the report was read by Rev. C. H. Mize and discussed by Rev. A. V. Rowe.

Further discussion of the report was suspended for the present, and the following committee appointed, viz:

On Nominations, C. E. Gibson, Dan Price and E. B. White.

On Appointment, J. N. Gunnell, W. M. Lambert, W. C. Price, Lee Rogers, G. S. Mikell, W. R. Gibson, W. L. Dampier, J. E. Hearn, H. E. Stamps, A. W. Toler, J. R. Cox, H. J. Johnson, Dr. L. R. Bush, J. W. Langston, A. S. White, G. M. Buckley, W. D. Fortenberry, J. C. McCullough and G. W. Alexander.

On motion adjourned for one hour. Prayer by Rev. I. H. Anling.

#### **AFTERNOON SESSION, SECOND DAY.**

.. After singing several sweet songs of praise, Rev. J. M. Sammon led the congregation in prayer.

The association was announced in order for business,



and the discussion of the Mission report was resumed being discussed by Revs. C. H. Mize and J. B. Quinn, and on motion adopted as follows:

We your committee on Missions, beg to report as follows:

#### **State Missions.**

State Mission work is Foundation work, and he who helps State Missions helps every good cause dear to the heart of our Lord. The helping hand of State Missions has inspired churches to raise and expend on their own fields close to one-half million dollars on houses of worship. The churches that have been helped by the State Board to the place where they could sustain themselves, give annually to missions \$35,000, or over, besides what they give to college orphans, ministerial education and other benevolences fostered by the churches. State Missions are identified with the baptisms of over 41,000 persons, missionaries baptising last year 16,753. The new lines of railroad are constantly opening new territory both in the Delta and in South Mississippi.

The spiritual interest of Mississippi must keep pace with national prosperity, and to do this requires an aggressive State Mission policy. There are requests from many places that the Mission Board must turn a deaf ear to for the lack of funds. The State Board ought to have \$50,000 a year, where they now spend less than \$30,000. In this cause we are laborers together for more effective world wide missions, as our Lord came to His own, so in this cause we come to our own. South Mississippi presents an opportunity to the Baptists which was scarcely dreamed of 16 years ago. With these facts fresh in mind, we, your committee, do hereby most prayerfully recommend that the churches of this association be asked to try in a prayerful spirit to increase their offerings for State Missions not less than 25 per cent for next year.

#### **Home Missions.**

After the resurrection and before His ascension our Lord announced His program of Missions. It was: "All power is given unto me in Heaven and in earth." Math. 28:18 "Go ye into all the earth and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Mark 16:15. "Beginning at Jerusalem." Luke 24:47. "And lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the age."

The scheme of missions outlined by the Saviour took in the entire world. But the nature of the case as well as His command, and the apostolic example, made the world vision include the lost who were near, as well as those who were far away, and made it of first importance. Peter and John of the Apostles received the commission, healed the lame man at the Temple gates. The lame man of today sits at the gate of every church. The Jerusalem church was overwhelmingly successful in interpreting the Gospel to its own community, having the purpose and power to save those around it. It had the spirit that naturally and necessarily sends forth wholesome streams of saving truth to the dark places beyond. Our Jerusalem and Judea and Samaria are in the United States. Are we doing our part and best to take and keep our country for Christ?

Out of 90,000,000 population in the United States there are only about 20,000,000 members of evangelical denominations. Are we not too much neglecting our Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria? Have our churches the unselfish Christian love and consecration to take hold of the crying needs of the submerged and neglected on the one hand, and of the pleasure seekers and money-mad on the other? The world is asking whether we have a gospel that is strong enough to command the heart and lives of sin buffeted men, and bring the harmony of love where now abides the discord of hate and selfish greed.

Alien immigrants flock to our shores at the rate of a million a year, and perhaps two million more of our own people each year are uprooted from their own environments and are brought together in new relations in new towns and on the frontier. In these people movement is at once a great problem, and an unvoiced cry that ascends up before God, for a gospel that will bring order out of chaos and replace the selfish hardness and baseness of sin, with good citizenship and brotherly love. The Christian denominations of America are awakening to the magnitude of these problems and others not here mentioned. They are turning with an encouraging unanimity to Home Missions as the means whereby

such problems must be solved. Southern Baptists must take a large part in saving the lost of America. We hold the gospel in its purity, since we have so much to give in making good Americans. While at the same time we make Christians, we are under deeper obligations to do large things, because we are more numerous than any other Christian body in the South our obligation is greater than any other.

God has blessed the labors of our Home Mission Board in a far larger fruitage than shown by the report of similar Mission Boards. Dr. Gray, in his report for this convention year, reports 26,899 baptisms and 47,728 additions to the churches through the labors of missionaries supported wholly or in part by it. No mission Board in the world has reported results one-half as large as these, though several expended four times as much in the work. He also says that not fewer than 11,000 of our Southern Baptist churches gave nothing to Missions. That being true, they have no fellowship of service with the rest of the denomination in spreading the gospel. With the heathen world stretching out before him in darkness, Paul found the time to go back and preach to weak and dying churches, strengthening the things that remained and training them in the way of the Lord, teaching them to "observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." is as truly a part of the commission of our Lord as the command to make disciples and baptize. In the striking words of one of our closest observers: "It is at least as essential to save what we already have as it is to save that which is lost."

Therefore your committee earnestly recommends

1. That this body provide for the apportioning of the amount our association is to raise among the churches.

2. That our pastors be requested to make an earnest effort at least once during the year to preach a special sermon on Home Missions and the magnitude and importance of the problems involved.

3. That each of our churches during the year make at least one liberal offering for this work.

4. That the churches and pastors be encouraged to make a large use of the Home Board's informing tracts and sample copies of the Home Field, both of which are free for the asking.



**Foreign Missions.**

We rejoice in the notable increase in the gifts of our churches this year of \$70,000, making \$580,408.17. More gratifying is the marvelous increase by experience and baptism on the various Foreign fields. 4,300 have been added to the churches, making a total membership of 24,689. Thus we had in one year 1,000 more accessions than we had members on the various fields at the end of fifty years of Foreign Mission work. Truly this is the Lord's work and marvelous in our eye. This work, I repeat, is the Lord's and it is by careful consideration of what He has already done that we are better prepared to plan for the future. We have been busy preaching, putting up church houses, establishing schools, hospitals, printing plants, erecting homes for our missionaries, but the work has developed and grown so rapidly that instead of supplying the needs, we have only made a good beginning towards equipping our workers who stand representing us at the front. The appeals that come from these consecrated servants of the Lord are heart-rending. However, we praise God that thousands upon thousands are awakening to the situation, and that a new era has dawned upon us, Southern Baptists, who a few years ago were giving only \$110,000, this year have given over \$580,408. God meant it when he told us to go into all the world and tell the glad news to every creature. Surely God was in earnest, and when His people take Him at His word they will see a new era, not only in foreign lands, but here at home. We need men and women for our important places. We need also better equipment for the workers. We need funds to more thoroughly equip our printing plants, hospitals and schools. These helps in the work of the Lord are accomplishing much. The printing plants are sending out God's word, tracts and religious books. Last year in our hospital work 42,000 people were treated. Our schools and theological seminaries are accomplishing great good. We note with special interest, that in Foreign fields, we have established and doing a fine work 186 day schools with 4,196 pupils 11 boarding schools for boys with 483 pupils, 20 boarding schools for girls with 886 pupils, one college with 262 pupils nine training

schools for women with 312 pupils, ten theological training schools with 245 pupils; total number of schools, 227, with 6,156 pupils, not including the Sunday Schools with 14,562. These boys and girls who are being trained today in our schools in a few years will make some of our strongest church members and workers, whether they are in the pastorate or in the pew. No one can estimate what it will mean five or ten years from now to have several hundred well trained thoroughly educated native preachers in the church on Foreign fields. We here note some work done on Foreign fields by the native Christians. They gave last year to the support of the cause of Christ the sum of \$77,872. 59, an average of more \$3.15 per member, while the Southern Baptists gave an average of 22c per member to Foreign Missions. Mississippi Baptists gave the sum of \$41,571.65 or about 25c per capita.

We, your committee, earnestly and urgently recommend that the churches of this association immediately take up the question of adopting a plan for regular systematic giving to all of our Mission work, State, Home and Foreign throughout the year. Such a plan generally adopted would revolutionize our resent dilatory methods of sending in funds and would do away with the burdensome interest accounts which have hampered our work for years.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. MIZE,

Capt. W. T. Ratcliff, a trustee of Mississippi College, was recognized in the audience and welcomed to a seat in the association.

Rev. Sidney Williams read the report on Ministerial Education. The report was discussed by him, Capt. W. T. Ratcliff and Rev. J. B. Quinn.

Pending the adoption of the report, several pastors and laymen pledged themselves to go back to their churches and take collections for Ministerial Education before the close of the present session of our college.

On motion the report was adopted as follows:

#### **Report on Ministerial Education.**

All religious training begins in the home, through the teachings of his mother God prepared Moses for making the

wise choice— a life spent in the service of his fellowman. Next to the home God uses the school as a means of preparing his servants for the service. It is written that Saul on being annointed king fell in with one of the schools of the prophets where "The spirit of God came mighty upon him." In the School of Gamaliel we find Paul unconsciously being trained to combat heathen philosophy on Mars Hill and to reason righteousness before the Court of kings. Jesus himself at the age of twelve was found in a school of doctors both asking and answering questions, nor did he afterwards in His busy life neglect ministerial education among His disciples, for it was at the Master's feet that the Gospel writers learned the great truths that we find penned in the New Testament, and it was there that Peter was prepared to preach that mighty sermon on the day of Pentecost.

Today the same Christ that called the fishermen on the sea of Galilee is calling others to become fishers of men. There were enrolled last season at Mississippi College, seventy-two ministerial students, forty-five of whom received help. This year there are enrolled already about seventy young preachers, forty or fifty of whom will have to be aided by the Ministerial Board, which began its work this year something like \$2,600 in debt. The call for help is urgent. The demand for an educated ministry is imperative. Now God furnishes through the Board of Ministerial Education of Mississippi College the machinery for making the "preacher" in demand, and from the splendid young manhood of our country an abundance of material, but he asks and expects us to operate it for His glory.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. WILLIAMS.

Bro. D. M. Lee read the report on Laymen's Missionary Movement, and it was ably discussed by him and on motion adopted as follows:

#### **Laymen's Missionary Movement.**

The Laymen's Missionary Movement was born in the spirit of prayer, and has for its purpose the promotion of missionary intelligence among men and to encourage the work of evangelization of the world in the present generation. It is an edu-

educational campaign along the line of church work. The original purpose was to enlist men, especially the business men along the line of foreign missions. But this succeeded so well that it now includes all classes of Christians all phases of church work. Its purpose is not to supercede the pastor or to supplant him in his work, nor to take the place of our mission boards but to work with them and to encourage them in their work. The laymen have been stressing a number of things for several years, conspicuously among these being tithing, regular, systematic giving, and stewardship, and personal effort on the part of our men in all Christian service. I do not believe that too much emphasis can be placed on stewardship, systematic plans of giving and the general adoption of scriptural methods of finance.

Your committee would recommend a vigorous associational campaign, a thorough every member canvass in the local churches, a weekly or monthly system of giving. The laymen's movement is not an organization but is a movement working through and with other organizations, with the churches, foreign home and state missions boards, and emphasizes the importance and wisdom of our churches doing mission work through these boards. Modern mission effort is a deliberate effort to win the whole world for Christ. Plainly such a work can not be done by one man however great he may be, nor any one church however great that church may be, it must be done by many Christians working together and by thousands of churches combining to co-operate in this great task.

The spirit of co-operation between the churches has led to organization. Organization means that we have system and plan. Our fathers were wise enough to organize conventions and to make boards. Making them strictly in accordance to New Testament principles, through which the work could be done. The Foreign Mission Board is nothing more than committee, through which the Foreign Mission work is carried on. The Home Mission Board is a committee to plan and carry on the work of Home Missions. The Sunday School Board, to look after the Sunday School work. These boards are appointed or elected by the Southern Baptists convention. The State Mission Board is a committee to carry on State Mission work.



Your committee on Laymen's work would urge the churches to stand by these boards

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. LEE.

The committee on Nominations made the following report:

### Nominations.

We, your committee on Nominations, beg leave to make the following report:

That Rev. C. H. Mize be our Messenger to the next meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, L. I. Thompson as alternate.

On motion the report on Nominations was amended giving the Moderator the privilege to appoint a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention in case the one elected and the alternate fail to go and the Moderator does not desire to go himself.

We recommend that the churches make a contribution to defray the expenses of the Messenger to the convention, to be sent to Treasurer of the Association not later than April 15, 1913.

That the following named brethren be registered to write reports to be read at the next meeting of this association, viz:

Missions.....	L. I. Thompson.
Denominational Schools.....	D. M. Lee.
Relation of Church and Pastor.....	W. R. Gibson.
Publications.....	Sidney Williams.
Orphanage.....	B. M. Russell...
Ministerial Education.....	J. M. Fortenberry.
Church Discipline.....	J. M. Boyd.
Sustentation.....	B. S. Watts.
Temperance.....	W. C. Maxwell.
Woman's Work.....	Lee H. Bird.
Laymen's Missionary Movement	
The Mississippi Baptist Hospital.....	T. C. McCullough.

We recommend that Rev. C. H. Mize preach the Associational Sermon, with Rev. L. I. Thompson as alternate.

We recommend that the next association meet with the

Calvary Baptist church on Thursday before the first Lord's day in October, 1913, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

CHAS. E. GIBSON, Chairman.

E. B. WHITE,

D. M. PRICE,

Committee.

The report on Appointment was read by Wade Polk and adopted as follows:

We, your committee on apportionment, urge the churches to raise, if possible, the following amounts for the cause of missions during the next associational year, viz:

Antioch (Lawrence) .....	\$ 30 00
Antioch (Jeff Davis) .....	75 00
Arm .....	70 00
Bethel .....	25 00
Bethany .....	100 00
Bismarck .....	5 00
Calvary .....	300 00
Crooked Creek .....	65 00
Ebenezer .....	50 00
Hebron .....	300 00
Hathorn .....	45 00
Hepzibah .....	75 00
New Zion .....	20 00
New Hope .....	10 00
New Hebron .....	225 00
Oakvale .....	30 00
Oakgrove .....	40 00
Providence .....	50 00
Prentiss .....	500 00
Rehobeth .....	150 00
Monticello .....	150 00
Shiloh .....	40 00
Society Hill .....	60 00
Sontag .....	75 00
Silas Creek .....	25 00
Smith's Ferry .....	10 00
Whitesand .....	125 00
Carson .....	30 00
Oma .....	50 00
Troas .....	10 00
Carmel .....	15 00

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. GIMALS, Chm. Committee.

The report on Sustentation was read by Bro. C. R. Dale and discussed by him and Revs. C. H. Mize and I. H. Anding and adopted as follows:

### **Sustentation.**

The word sustentation carries with it the idea of ministerial relief. The aged and disabled ministers and their families should kindle and keep a blaze in our hearts a genuine spirit of Christian patriotism. The fact that many of them have given their very best efforts to the Lord during the days of their young manhood, and that too, upon a compensation that failed to furnish them with the necessities of life, should appeal to our manhood to see to it that they do not suffer for any of the comforts and luxuries of life during their old age. We need to lay this before our people as regularly as any of the other enterprises fostered by our denomination. We love to report an advancement in our contributions to the other objects and it should bring joy to our hearts to be able always to report an advancement in the work of sustentation.

We rejoice over the fact that we are slowly raising an endowment fund the interest on which goes towards the support of our superannuated ministers and their families. We should increase our offerings to this fund and thus enlarge this endowment which is to be used only for this purpose. We think every pastor ought at least once a year give their churches a chance to make an offering for Sustentation.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. DALE.

Bro. D. M. Lee read and discussed the report on Relation of Church and Pastor and on motion it was adopted as follows:

### **Relation of Church and Pastor.**

It is our conviction that there is not as close relation existing between church and pastor as there should be, for the best interest of both. The interest of the church and that of the pastor are so closely interwoven that anything that would tend to hinder one necessarily hinders the other, and vice versa, and anything that tends to help the one consequently is helpful to the other.

Your committee would suggest that the pastor strive for the greatest efficiency in the leadership of his flock, and that the membership be faithful to heed the advice and be willing to follow the leadership of the pastor.

It is essential for the upbuilding of the Master's cause that there be the strongest co-operation both spiritual and financial existing between church and pastor.

I would emphasize the importance of the church co-operating with her pastor in the support of all the benevolent institutions fostered by our denomination. She should not only follow the leadership of her pastor but she should see to it that he be amply sustained in his work, both in praying for him and for the success of the work under his charge and also to give him their financial support and to look well to the providing for his physical necessities and in this connection we would advise that wherever it is practical that the pastor's salary should be paid monthly.

Respectfully submitted

R. S. WATTS, Committee.

On motion adjourned to meet at 8:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. Benediction by Rev. Sid Williams.

### **THIRD DAY, MORNING SESSION.**

Congregation sang, "Amazing Grace," and Bro. W. R. Gibson led the opening prayer.

Rev. J. M. Sammon conducted the devotional exercises, reading 1st chapter Phil. for lesson and Bro. C. R. Dale leading in prayer.

The report on Orphanage was read by Bro. W. C. Maxwell and discussed by him and Brethren C. R. Dale, D. M. Lee, J. M. Armstrong, R. B. Dale and Rev. C. H. Mize and adopted as follows:

#### **Orphanage.**

Orphanage work, while new in Mississippi, is as old as Christianity. One characteristic conspicuous in the life of our Lord was His disposition to care for the widow and orphan. The Holy Spirit gave it as one of the evidences of pure and undefiled religion, that its professor visit the fatherless and



the widow in their afflictions. So the duty of caring for helpless orphan children need not be questioned. The only question that should concern Christian organizations is as to the methods of doing the work.

We have for our consideration at this time the home for orphan children located at Jackson, known as the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage. It was established fifteen years ago under the direction of the Baptist denomination in Mississippi. It is under the management of 21 trustees, 18 appointed by the State Convention, and 3 by the General Association. They employ a local Superintendent who has the general supervision of the local management. It is supported entirely by voluntary contributions from individuals, Sunday Schools and churches, Ladies' Society and Sunbeams.

We have at present four brick buildings, so equipped as to furnish comfortable accommodations for 225 children. We have in our orphanage at present 227. With the expenditure of \$1,500 or \$2,000 we can provide room for 60 or 70 more. Our Superintendent, Rev. J. R. Carter, informs me that he has on file fifty or more applications. Many of whom are worthy. About 550 have passed through the home since its establishment. Many of whom have gone out into life for themselves and are making good in the callings of life.

Our children there under the present management are trained to all manner of useful work. Special attention is given to all manner of cooking, house-keeping, sewing, washing and ironing for our girls; and farming, stock-raising, carpenter and machine work for our boys, together with training for some boys and girls in the printing office. All have the advantage of six to eight months schooling each year.

We commend most heartily the work that is being done for our orphan children, and urge that our Sunday Schools and churches contribute more liberally to their support. We recommend that all of our Sunday Schools take one collection each month for the Orphanage, and each church make a Thanksgiving offering at their meeting in November. Remembering that Jesus said: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these, my children, ye did it unto me."

In addition to the money contributions the churches, Sun-

day Schools, ladies societies may send clothing (good second hand clothing accepted), towels, sheets, pillow-cases, soap, thread, buttons, tablets, pencils, elastic, shoe strings, shoes, and stockings for larger children as we have plenty for the smaller ones. In fact anything that can be used in the every day family. Let farmers send corn, molasses, cured meats, and canned goods of all kinds.

Respectfully submitted.

W. C. MAXWELL, Committee.

Resolved that this association, recommend that each church make a donation of farm produce of some kind to the Baptist Orphanage at Jackson, Miss., for the support of said Orphanage. Said donation to be made in November or December. Let each church advise with brother J. R. Carter as to transportation of said produce.

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. LEE.

Adopted by the association.

... Rev. L. I. Thompson read the report on Denominational Schools and discussed the report and on motion was adopted as follows:

#### **Denominational Schools.**

We feel that this is one of the most important subjects that can come up before any body of Christian men for discussion. To take the subject as it is assigned is too broad for the present purpose, but we presume that it is the desire of the association that we discuss the school from a Baptist standpoint.

People are becoming interested in the education of their boys and girls as never before. Regarding this fact it behooves us to try to see that they give them the right kind of an education. We feel that nothing short of a Christian education is the right kind. If we would induce them to send their boys and girls to our college we must offer them some inducements. The greatest inducement is to be able to take the boy or girl and furnish them with suitable accommodations and have a corps of teachers second to none.

We have a college located at Clinton, Miss., of which we feel justly proud, not so much because of the fact that it

is the oldest school for boys in the state, but because of the men it is sending out. Its faculty is second to none in the South. Our equipment in the way of buildings so far as it goes is second to none, yet we need more buildings. At present our endowment is extremely small. It is almost a marvel that there has been so much accomplished.

It is my privilege as well as my pleasure to introduce our baby girl. There was a girls college born into the convention home last fall at Gulfport. It is located at Hattiesburg and known as the Mississippi Woman's College. It is less than one month old, yet the enrollment at present is 140.

We your committee, take pride in telling you about these colleges because they are yours. We further recommend them because they need your prayers, your boys and girls, and last but not least, they must have of our money.

L. I. THOMPSON.

The report on Temperance was read by Rev. S. A. Williams. It was discussed by him and Rev. C. H. Mize and adopted as follows:

#### **Temperance.**

When we speak of Temperance our minds at once run off on many kinds of liquors that will intoxicate and more especially those called whiskey and alcohol. While there are many other things that are detrimental to the soul of man if indulged in so be ye temperate in all things; thus saith the Scriptures, "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is received thereby is not wise." The greatest thing that confronts our Baptist is the fight against the modern dram drinker and the blind tiger. Such as open saloons trouble us no more, but the blind tiger with its debauchery is abroad in our land. It invades our homes and even the Lord's Holy place, murdering its victims and afterwards singing their funeral dirge. In every age we cannot be too earnest in our efforts to apprehend and to punish those who sell liquor, and those who also buy it and foreswear themselves before the courts of our country.

Your committee believes that the use and unlawful sale of intoxicating liquors are doing more to degrade our people than any other one thing. The reason we today have so many

widows and orphan children in our land can be traced back to strong drink in many instances. In view of these facts I cannot understand how it is that so many Christians who love our Lord Jesus Christ and our God can take into his stomach the greatest criminal in all the world's history. "I am alcohol. I have killed more men than any other thing in the world. I have made millions of homes unhappy. I make smooth the downward path for countless millions. I destroy the weak and weaken the strong. The abandoned wife knows me, the hungry children know me, the parents whose child has bowed their gray heads in sorrow know me. I am alcohol."

Your committee, therefore would recommend a total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors as a beverage as the only safe rule. May God hasten the day when our church members will no longer indulge in this great evil.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. DUNAWAY, Committee.

The report on Woman's Work was read by Bro. C. R. Dale and discussed by him and adopted as follows:

#### **Woman's Work.**

That feature of our work known as Woman's Work is and will continue to be a very helpful ally in all of our church work. We record our sincere gratitude for their hearty co-operation. By persistent and patient effort on the part of our women, the number of societies in our state and throughout the entire territory of the Southern Baptist Convention has largely increased, and with this increase in number there has also been an increase in interest in the co-operative work of the denomination. Our women have taught and have shown the value of organization. They have shown, as our men have not shown in many respects, the value of combined effort. They have shown the power of small gifts by increasing their number. Their gifts to Home Missions last year constituted about one-fourth of our receipts, and the influence of their regular systematic method has been felt in our church work. Our women, as never before, are seeing and feeling the importance of Home Missions especially because it touches our homes and helps to preserve our Christian civilization.



As a proof of this, a great many of our young women are offering themselves every year for service both at home and abroad. The problem of immigration, the factory and mill population, and various phases of city work present unbounded opportunities for consecrated young women. We congratulate our association upon the number of Ladies' Aid Societies we have reported, and we would urge upon our women of all the churches the importance of organizing and maintaining a Ladies' Aid Society, because of the good that would come to the churches as a result of their co-operative work. In this way we can labor together for more effective world wide missions for a higher and truer patriotism, for a nobler and better citizenship, for a purer and cleaner morality, and last but not least, for more homes in which the name of God is honored and glorified, because it is in the home, you will remember that we labor together for our own as the Lord "came to his own" so in this cause we come to our own, and are laborers together with God, first for our own thence to all the world.

Respectfully submitted,  
LEAN TYSONE.

Bro. W. R. Gibson read the report on Church Discipline and he, W. C. Maxwell and Revs. Mize and Thompson discussed the report and it was adopted as follows:

#### **Church Discipline.**

We find by the study of God's Word that church discipline was necessary in the early history of the churches, for in Paul's first letter and 5th chapter to the Corinthian church we find him admonishing them to withdraw from all that walked disorderly and after naming a number of evils practiced by some he closed by saying "Therefore put away from among yourselves that wickedness." We do not believe that any Baptist church will ever have the power for good that it should have while it fails or refuses to discipline its members when they walk disorderly. We believe that all members of the church should walk uprightly before the world. That he or she should abstain from all evils possible, and that every every male member should contribute of his means

to the support of the church, and any member refusing to do so when known to be able should be brought under censure of the church.

Your committee recommends, therefore, that the enforcement of church discipline, and when this is done as we believe it should be the church will have a greater influence and power over a lost world than we have ever seen before.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. GIBSON, Chairman.

### Items of Special Interest.

We, your committee on Items of Special Interest, beg leave to report the following contributions to the various objects fostered by the denomination; that is, as far as we have been able to tell from the church letters. This is for the year ending Sept. 30th, 1912:

Pastor's Salary.....	\$5,535.00
Foreign Missions.....	756.85
Home Missions.....	694.27
State Missions.....	730.47
Ministerial Education.....	62.65
Visiting Ministers.....	947.27
Incidentals and other objects.....	666.23
Expended on church property.....	2,882.80
Given to the poor.....	262.25
Orphanage .....	453.15
Colleges and Schools.....	10.00
Sunday School Expenses.....	384.85
Total .....	<hr/> \$13,385.79

The above is an increase of \$737.38 over last year, but there is a decrease in Missions of \$398.49, the total Missions this year being \$2,181.59.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH DALE, Chairman.

The Finance report was read by Bro. D. M. Lee as follows:

**Finance.**

We, your committee on Finance, beg to submit the following report:

We have received from the churches composing this association for the purposes for which it was given as follows:

State Missions .....	\$129.13
Home Missions.....	61.75
Foreign Missions .....	63.78
Orphanage .....	8 22
Ministerial Education.....	9.35
Associational Purposes.....	71.00
Baptist State Hospital.....	5.25

Total .....	\$348.48
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For which we hold Treasurers receipt. We have also examined the treasurer's report and find it correct and amply substantiated by vouchers.

Respectfully submitted,

D. M. LEE,

J. M. FORTENBERRY,

L. R. BUSH.

The Treasurer reported as follows:

**Treasurer's Report.**

J. M. Armstrong in account with the Lawrence County Baptist Association, Oct. 5, 1912.

Paid A. V. Rowe, State Missions.....	\$302.76
Paid A. V. Rowe, Home Missions.....	76.80
Paid A. V. Rowe, Foreign Missions.....	131.60
Paid A. V. Rowe, Sustentation.....	14.70
J. R. Carter, Orphanage.....	47.40
Wade Polk, Clerk, distributing minutes .....	30.29
Hederman Bros., Printing Minutes.....	50.00

Total Paid Out.....	\$653.55
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Associational Minutes .....	71.00
Ministerial Education .....	9.35
Baptist State Hospital .....	5.25
Expenses Delegate to Convention from Churches .....	5.00
Orphanage .....	8.22
Balance on hand from last year .....	28.06

Total Amount on Hand.....\$381.54

Respectfully submitted,  
J. M. ARMSTRONG, Treasurer.

#### W. M. U. REPORT.

Calvary—S. M., \$33.00; H. M., \$33.00; F. M., \$40.50; orphanage, \$52.00; other objects, \$160.45. Total..\$	318 50
Hebron—S. M., \$15.00; H. M., \$22.50; F. M., \$22.50; or- phanage, \$15.75; Miss Lackey, \$2.50; ministerial ed- ucation, \$5.00; pastor's salary, \$14.95; visiting min- ister, \$9.80. Total .....	85 10
Monticello—S. M., \$3.00; H. M., \$3.00; F. M., \$3.50; in- cidentals, \$4.81; orphanage, \$40.50; training schiol, \$1.00; poor, \$3.50. Total .....	58 31
New Hebron—F. M., \$15.00; pastor's salary, \$20.00; home use, \$3.20; poor, \$59.95. Total .....	98 15
Oakvale—To the poor .....	100 00
Prentiss—S. M., \$7.50; H. M., \$7.50; other objects, \$122.60; orphanage, \$88.90. Total .....	226 50
Shiloh—Incidentals, \$9.50; poor, \$4.00; other objects, \$3.00. Total .....	16 00
Sontag—Church building .....	45 43
Whitesand—Pastor's salary, \$11.75; incidentals, \$11.45; visiting ministers, \$12.25; H. M., \$19.40; orphanage, \$6.25; ministerial education, \$3.65. Total .....	70 75

Grand Total .....\$1,018 74

These figures are included in financial report.—Clerk.

On motion the Treasurer was authorized to turn over all moneys now in his hands to the different boards and bodies to which they may belong.

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**RULES OR BY-LAWS****Of Lawrence County Association.**

1. This association shall consist of delegates chosen by the churches to which they respectfully belong, and shall be styled the Lawrence County Association. 4
2. Such delegates shall be members in good standing, and no member under church censure shall be allowed a seat in the association.
3. They shall produce letters certifying their appointment by their respective churches and stating the number baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded and deceased during the preceding association year, with the total number in fellowship, and such other statistical matters as the association may direct.
4. This association shall have a moderator and clerk who shall be annually chosen by ballot of the members present. Said moderator and clerk shall fill their respective places, if present, at the succeeding association till a new election takes place, and while in office shall discharge the duties appertaining to these offices.
5. If new churches desire to be admitted into the association they shall petition by letter and delegates, and if orthodox and orderly, shall be received, and the moderator shall recognize them by giving their delegates the right hand of fellowship in behalf of the body.
6. Every church shall be allowed four delegates and no more until her number shall reach one hundred, and one delegate for every additional fifty members thereafter.
7. The association shall neither answer nor debate any query on gospel doctrine except it be to merely explain the meaning of the Articles of Faith of this association.
8. Every motion made in order and seconded, shall be reduced to writing if requested by any member and shall be considered by the association unless withdrawn by the mover before discussion.



9. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken on each point separately.
10. Only one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the moderator. He shall confine himself to the subject properly in debate, cast no reflection on the association or any member thereof and shall not be interrupted while speaking.
11. No person shall speak more than twice upon the same subject without leave of the association.
12. The moderator shall have the privilege of speaking on any question in debate, the chair being previously filled. He shall rise from his seat to put the question to the body.
13. The moderator shall decide questions of order, but appeal from such decision may be taken to the whole body, which shall be decided without debate.
14. A majority of the members present shall be necessary to carry any proposition or motion, and the moderator shall vote as other members when the question is taken, and in the case of a tie, the motion is lost.
15. Committees shall be nominated by the moderator, subject to approval of the association.
16. There shall be no talking or whispering while a brother is speaking.
17. No brother shall finally depart from the association without leave of the body.
18. The names of the delegates shall be enrolled by the clerk and called over whenever it is thought necessary.
19. Minutes shall be read carefully and corrected if necessary, and signed by the moderator and clerk before the association rises.
20. A motion for final adjournment shall be construed to embrace the previous reading and adoption of the minutes.

## MINUTES OF THE

21. The association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

22. Immediately after the organization of the association the rules of order shall be distinctly read by order of the moderator.

23. The foregoing articles shall be subject to alteration or amendment at any regular meeting of the association by a majority of the delegates.

**On Gospel Order.**

First, We believe a visible church of Christ is a congregation of faithful persons who have given themselves to the Lord and to one another in brotherly covenant to keep up a Godly discipline agreeable to the rules of the New Testament.

Second, We believe that Jesus Christ is the only law-giver of His church; that the government is with the body of the church and is equally the right and privilege of each member thereof.

Third, We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances appointed by Jesus Christ and are to be continued in the church until His second coming.

Fourth, We believe that immersion only is baptism and that believers in Christ are the only proper subjects.

Fifth, We believe that none but regularly baptized church members have a right to partake of the Lord's Supper.

Sixth, We believe that it is the duty and privilege of all believers to make a public profession of their faith, to submit to the ordinances of the gospel and themselves as members to the visible church.

Seventh, We believe it to be the duty of every church to expel from her communion every member that is immoral in conduct or that holds doctrines contrary to the Scriptures.

**Church Covenant.**

Having been, as we trust, brought by divine grace to em-

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brace the Lord Jesus Christ, and to give ourselves wholly to Him, we do now solemnly and joyfully covenant with each other, to walk together in Him, with brotherly love, to His glory, as our common Lord. We do, therefore, in His strength, engage—

That we will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together each other and faithfully warn, exhort, and admonish each other as occasion may require;

That we will forsake the assembling of ourselves together, but will uphold the public worship of God, and the ordinances of His house;

That we will not omit closet and family religion at home, nor neglect the great duty of religiously training our children, and those under our care, for the service of Christ, and the enjoyment of heaven;

That, as we are the light of the world, and the salt of the earth, we will seek divine aid, to enable us to deny ungodliness, and every worldly lust, and walk circumspectly in the world, that we may win the souls of men;

That we will cheerfully contribute of our property, according as God has prospered us, for the maintenance of a faithful and evangelical ministry among us, for the support of the poor, and spread the gospel over the earth;

That we will in all conditions, even till death, strive to live to the glory of Him who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

“And may the God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make us perfect in every good work, to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ; to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.”

#### **Articles of Faith.**

**First, We believe in one Triune God, the Father, the Son**

and the Holy Ghost—the same in essence, equal in power and glory.

Second, We believe the Scriptures of the Old and the New Testaments were given by the inspiration of God, and are the only rules of faith and practice.

Third, We believe in the fall of Adam from the original rectitude; in the imputation of his sin to all his posterity; in the depravity of human nature, and in man's inability to restore himself to the favor of God.

Fourth, We believe that God hath loved His people with an everlasting love; that He chose them in Christ before the foundation of the world; and He calleth them with a holy and effectual calling and being justified alone through the righteousness of Christ imputed to them, they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

Fifth, We believe there is one Mediator between God and man; the man Christ Jesus, who by the satisfaction He made to law and justice in becoming an offering to sin, hath by His most precious blood redeemed the elect from under the curse of the law that they might be holy and without blame before Him in love.

Sixth, We believe that good works are the fruits of faith and follow after justification and are evidences of a gracious state, and that all believers are bound to obey every command of God from a principle of love.

Seventh, We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment; that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting.

#### **Rules of Decorum.**

First, This association acknowledges that each church is an independent body and possesses the sole right to exercise and control its own affairs, and, therefore, this association has no right or power to interfere with the internal rights and privileges of churches comprising its body, but may withdraw from any church which may hold false doctrines or tolerate immoral practices.



Second, The objects of this association shall be to promote fellowship and harmony among the churches and to advance the Redeemer's kingdom by furnishing a means of uniting all the churches of this association in contributing of their means to the support of our denominational interests, such as denominational schools, orphans homes, and missions, State, home and foreign.

Third. This association may maintain a friendly correspondence when convenient with other religious bodies of the same faith and order.

Fourth, Ministers of the gospel in good standing, though not delegates, may be invited to seats in the association, but not to have the privilege of voting.

Fifth, This association may appoint any person or persons by and with their consent to transact any business it may deem necessary.

Sixth, This association may adjourn to any time and place it may think proper.

Seventh, This association shall keep a record of their proceedings and have them printed when necessary.

Eighth, This association shall have a fund and elect annually a treasurer to take charge of it, who shall account to the association for moneys which shall come into his hands for the use of the association.

Ninth, This association may form its own by-laws and regulate its own proceedings in such a manner as it may deem expedient.

## Roll of Delegates.

- Antioch (Jeff Davis)—Not represented
- Antioch (Lawrence)—W. M. Lambert, W. M. Ritchie, W. P. Boutwell and Dock Boutwell.
- Arm—Z. E. Ward, C. A. Bourn and Lee Rogers.
- Bethany—Rev. J. O. Buckley.
- Bismarck—G. M. Price and W. P. Price.
- Bethel—A. H. McGuffie and Carl Polk.
- Calvary—Rev. C. H. Mize, G. S. Mickell, M. White and J. M. Armstrong.
- Crooked Creek—W. L. Dampeer and T. P. Blackman.
- Carson—J. W. McPhail.
- Carmel—J. E. Heron.
- Ebenezer—R. S. Miller, W. M. Garner and Allen Bass.
- Hebron—R. Drummond, A. H. Dale and A. C. Berry.
- Hathorn—H. E. Stamps.
- Hepzibah—A. W. Tolar and Robert Daniel.
- Monticello—D. M. Lee, Joe Dale, C. E. Gibson and W. C. Maxwell.
- New Zion—J. R. Cox.
- New Hope—H. J. Johnson.
- New Hebron—Dr. L. R. Bush.
- Oakvale—L. I. Thompson, J. W. Langston, Fannie Bryant and Wade Polk.
- Oakgrove—J. O. Sutton and J. M. Mickell.
- Oma—No delegates. Represented by letter.
- Providence—J. P. Conn, W. W. Brewer, Dan Price, J. M. Gunnell and Berry Boyd.
- Prentiss—J. B. Quinn and C. R. Dale.
- Rehobeth—Not represented.
- Shiloh—A. S. White and E. B. White.
- Sontag—W. R. Gibson.
- Society Hill—G. M. Buckley, N. S. Buckley and J. M. Fortenberry.
- Silver Creek—W. D. Fortenberry, W. M. Langston and L. C. Buckley.
- Smith's Ferry—J. C. McCullough.
- Troas—J. N. Boyd and J. W. Alexander.
- Whitesand—R. B. Dale and J. M. Bridges.

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	PASTORS	POSTOFFICE	CLERKS	POSTOFFICE
Antioch (Jeff Davis)	J. R. G. Reeves	McComb City	W. L. McGuffee	Monticello
Antioch (Lawrence)	W. S. Rogers	Crystal Springs	A. C. Buckley	Arm
Arm	J. O. Buckley	Prentiss	S. C. Stamps	Prentiss
Bethany	J. R. G. Reeves	McComb City	C. E. Dunaway	Topeka
Bismarck	R. E. Weeks	Brookhaven	W. J. Wilson	Monticello
Bethel	C. H. Mize	Silver Creek	J. M. Armstrong	Silver Creek
Calvary	R. Drummond	New Hebron	Mack Sutton	Silver Creek
Crooked Creek	J. B. Quinn	Prentiss	N. T. Nichols	Carson
Carson	C. E. Dunaway	Topeka	M. S. Davis	Monticello
Carmel	R. Drummond	New Hebron	Larkin Thompson	Bassfield, R 2
Ebenezer	L. D. Posey	Magee	E. H. Walker	New Hebron
Hebron	R. Drummond	New Hebron	W. R. Dale	Hathorn
Hathorn	J. O. Buckley	Prentiss, R 3	J. L. Speights	Oakvale
Hezibah	I. H. Anding	Summit	C. E. Gibson	Monticello
Monticello	R. C. Myers	Monticello	T. J. Cox	Monticello
New Zion	J. R. G. Reeves	McComb	E. V. Cat	Monticello
New Hope	J. E. Thigpen	Flora	O. P. Izard	New Hebron
New Hebron	L. I. Thompson	Oakvale	Wade Polk	Oakvale
Oakvale	R. Drummond	New Hebron	J. E. Nukell	Silver Creek, R
Oma	W. T. Darling	Clinton	H. E. Little	Oma
Providence	S. A. Williams	Ruth	C. H. Conn	Ruth
Prentiss	J. B. Quinn	Prentiss	A. G. Stubblefield	Prentiss
Rehobeth				
Shiloh	G. E. Darling	Wesson	N. L. Mclelland	Sontag
Sontag	G. E. Darling	Wesson	H. F. Buckley	Sontag
Society Hill	J. O. Buckley	Prentiss	G. M. Buckley	Hathorn
Silver Creek	C. H. Mize	Silver Creek	D. G. Langston	Arm
Smith's Ferry	W. S. Rogers	Crystal Springs	J. C. McCulloughs	Vanilla
Troas	O. M. Sammon	McCall	G. W. Alexander	Verna
Whitesand			W. S. Boyanton	Prentiss

# FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Paid for Minutes	No. Minutes	Pastor's Salary	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	General Missions	Paid Visiting Ministers	Other Objects	Expended on Church Property	To the Poor	Orphanage	Incidentals	Ministerial Education	Sustentation	Sunday School Work	Value of Church Property	Value of Pastor's Home	Seminary	TOTALS	
Antioch (Jeff Davis)	1 80	12	100 00	3 00		2 50		10 50			3 00	3 18				2 00	1,000 00				123 68
Antioch (Lawrence)	1 50	10	125 00	7 00	7 00			30 40								2 50					178 40
Arm	4 00	20	200 00	36 00	31 00	32 55		40 70	75 00			21 00				2 28	1,000 00				443 03
Bethany	60	4	50 00							21 35						3 25	100 00				74 60
Bethel	3 00	20	100 00			6 00						3 10									112 10
Calvary	4 00	20	500 00	85 50	78 50	135 63		46 00	165 45			104 85	33 00			58 43	3,000 00				1,202 36
Crooked Creek	1 70	12	175 00	10 95	10 95	57 75		26 00						5 00		19 57	800 00				296 92
Carson	3 00	20		9 00	9 00						15 00						1,000 00				33 00
Carmel	60	4	60 00	1 00	50	1 00		11 11		50 00	6 00						300 00				-129 61
Ebenezer	4 50	30	175 00	10 25	10 25	30 00		20 30				7 85	2 50				1,250 00				261 65
Hebron	3 75	25	250 00	106 50	106 50	100 00		52 00				26 30	11 35	25 00	12 00		1,000 00				689 85
Hathorn	3 50	24	100 00	10 00	10 00	19 50		22 00								5 00	1,000 00				147 00
Hepzibah	1 50	10	200 00	9 75	9 75	16 75		27 00				7 35				5 00	800 00				278 95
Monticello	4 50	30	300 00	50 00	50 00	50 00		50 00				64 00	53 75	10 00		71 63	2,000 00		10 00		115 80
New Zion	1 20	8						12 50			10 00					4 00	500 00				27 70
New Hope	1 10	8					9 00										500 00				10 10
New Hebron	4 00	27	500 00	58 30	69 05	22 00		50 00			74 05	20 00	18 29	7 00		26 46	3,500 00				849 15
Oakvale	3 00	20	200 00	58 50		18 00		98 75			112 50					18 87	1,500 00				514 62
Oak Grove	2 70	18	125 00	10 00	10 00	22 80		26 30													196 80
Oma	1 00	7	125 00	14 00	13 50	15 00		30 25													224 73
Providence	2 30	15	200 00	10 22	10 00	10 22		30 00		5 00						3 35	1,200 00				271 09
Prentiss	5 00	34	800 00	181 80	136 82	136 82		205 00	182 00	2,100 00		158 90	156 00			95 35	5,500 00	2,000 00			4,093 29
Rehobeth																					
Shiloh	75	5	175 00	5 00	24 00	13 00		22 36	5 25	25 00	17 20	27 75	2 25		1 39		800 00				316 81
Sontag	1 50	10	175 00	31 89	31 80			20 00	1 50	545 45	5 00	6 00				20 00	500 00				838 55
Society Hill	1 80	12	200 00	17 15	24 75	10 00		41 01		1 25				3 75		8 00	1,500 00				422 26
Silver Creek	3 00	20	100 00	2 50	2 50	15 00		9 50	9 62							8 00	1,200 00				147 12
Smith's Ferry	3 00	20	100 00					11 00					2 00				500 00				124 16
Troas	1 60	11	150 00					31 70									800 00				
White Sand	1 00	7	125 00	19 35		19 40		45 00			16 00	28 72	11 45	3 65			1,000 00				
Totals	\$70 90	484	\$ 53 10	\$ 747 57	\$ 645 87	\$ 733 42	\$ 9 00	\$ 969 38	\$ 378 82	\$2,748 05	\$ 258 75	\$ 479 00	\$ 190 59	\$5440	\$ 13 39	\$ 362 89	\$32,250 00	\$2,000 00	\$ 10 00	\$12,726 43	



# STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Ordained Ministers	Licentiates	Baptized	Restored	Received by Letter	Total Increase	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Total Decrease	Membership Last Year	Membership This Year	No. S. Schools	No. Teachers & Officers	No. Pupils	S. S. Expenses	Kind of Literature Used	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS	POSTOFFICE	SECRETARIES	POSTOFFICE
*Antioch (Jeff Davis)	1		10	4	7	21	4	7	3	14	191	198	1	2	30	2 06	B. C. Series	J. I. Thames	Brookhaven, R 1	Miss Leola Thames	Brookhaven, R 1
Antioch (Lawrence)	1		8		2	2	1		1	2	55	55	1	3	32	7 50	B. C. Series	W. J. Armstrong	Arm	A. C. Buckley	Arm
Bethany	1				4	12	30		1	31	180	161	1	5	35	6 28	B. C. Series	J. O. Buckley	Prentiss, R 3	Alma Burkett	Prentiss, R 3
Bismarck	1						6	3	1	10	91	81	1	4	30	3 25	B. C. Series	C. E. Dunaway	Topeka	W. T. Holmes	Prentiss, R 3
Bethel			1		2	3	2		1	3	118	118					B. C. Series				
Calvary	1		3		8	11	30	20	1	51	287	247	1	9	155	53 43	B. C. Series	W. R. Rawls	Silver Creek	R. L. Longino	Silver Creek
Crooked Creek			12	1	6	19	21		3	24	239	234	1	10	80	19 57	B. C. Series	W. J. Hamilton	Hooker	Fannie Jolly	Silver Creek, R 4
Carson			3		3	6	23			23	126	109	1	4	62		B. C. Series	J. W. McPhail	Carson	Mrs. Mary Nichols	Carson
Carmel			5		1	6					25	31					B. C. Series				
Ebenezer			18	2	2	22	3		2	5	153	170	1	5	35	4 00	B. C. Series	W. H. Thompson	Bassfield		
Hebron	1		12	1	10	23	13		5	18	254	259	2	9	106		B. C. Series	W. C. Hutchins and J. H. Johnson	New Hebron	Louis Thurman	New Hebron
Hathorn	1		8		2	10	1			1	121	130	1	4	50	5 00	B. C. Series	M. D. Williamson	New Hebron	Emma White	Hathorn
Hepzibah		1	8		2	10					174	184	1	3	45	5 00	B. C. Series	B. S. Watts	Arm		
Monticello			6		4	10	14			14	129	129	1		145	71 63	B. C. Series	T. C. McCullough	Monticello	Ray Rogers	Monticello
New Zion			14	2		16	4	8		12	95	99	1	3	48	4 00	B. C. Series	J. R. Cox	Monticello	R. H. Townsend	Monticello, R 1
New Hope			9	1		10				4	101	107	1	5	67		B. C. Series	H. J. Johnson	Monticello	Mamie Cott	Monticello, R 1
New Hebron			21		18	39	16	3	1	16	204	227	1	5	65	26 46	B. C. Series	Dr. L. R. Bush	New Hebron	O. P. Izard	New Hebron
Oakvale	1		1		14	15	12	1	1	14	85	86	1	5	58	18 87	B. C. Series	Dr. P. R. Polk	Oakvale	H. W. Hargrove	Oakvale
Oak Grove			10		1	11	1			1	33	43	1	4	40		B. C. Series	J. O. Sutton	Silver Creek	Gladys Griffith	Silver Creek
Oma			4		3	7					7	14	1	4	30		B. C. Series	Lee H. Bird	Oma	Irene Bird	Oma
Providence			3	3	1	7	12	62	1	75	330	262	1	3	51	3 35	B. C. Series	D. M. Price	Verna	W. S. Cothorn	Verna
Prentiss	1	1	22		14	36	10			10	164	190	1	13	210	95 35	B. C. Series	Leon Tyrone	Prentiss	Miss Bettie Berry	Prentiss
*Rehobeth																					
Shiloh			2	1	2	5	7	8	1	16	177	166	1	4	66	8 00	B. C. Series	M. D. Honea	Sontag	J. B. Terry	Sontag
Sontag			1		9	10	4			4	37	43	1	6	70	20 00	B. C. Series	W. F. Byrne	Sontag	H. F. Buckley	Sontag
Society Hill	1		17	1	2	20	6		2	8	234	243	1	6	75	8 00	B. C. Series	J. M. Fortenberry	Oakvale		
Silver Creek			10		2	12	7		1	8	91	95	1	3	54	8 00	B. C. Series	W. M. Langston	Arm	Laura Buckley	Arm
Smith's Ferry	1				3	3					40	43	1	3	30	8 16	B. C. Series	I. L. Ballew	Wanilla	M. L. Ballew	Wanilla
Tross			6		9	15	1	1		2	110	123	1	10	80		B. C. Series	I. F. M. Powell	Verna		
White Sand			6		9	15	16			16	180	179	1	4	100		B. C. Series	C. V. Sutton	Prentiss	Liston Lee	New Hebron
Totals	10	2	220	16	140	376	254	113	25	382	4,101	4,026	28	136	1,843	\$376 85					

\*Not represented.